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DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

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1           A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Bob Kraft upon his  
2 retirement from president of the Indiana Retired Teachers Association.

3           *Whereas, Robert E. Kraft began his teaching career at*  
4 *Plaza Park Middle School in Evansville, where he taught 7<sup>th</sup>*  
5 *and 8<sup>th</sup> grade mathematics and social studies for ten years;*

6           *Whereas, Bob went on to serve as principal at Perry*  
7 *Heights Middle School for seventeen years. During his time*  
8 *there, Perry Heights became one of the most progressive*  
9 *middle schools in Evansville, earning the designation as a 4-*  
10 *Star school and excelling in both academics and athletics;*

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12           *Whereas, Bob then became principal at Scott Elementary*  
13 *School, which was the largest elementary school in*  
14 *Evansville with over 800 students. Scott Elementary also*  
15 *earned a 4-Star school title under Bob's leadership;*

16           *Whereas, Bob's dedication to his students made him an*  
17 *outstanding educator. He has always known every student by*  
18 *name, and always showed support for his students by*  
19 *attending their school activities;*

20           *Whereas, Bob retired in 1996 and devoted himself to*  
21 *volunteering in his community;*

22           *Whereas, Bob is very active in his church. He has taught*



1     *a Sunday-School class, served on the church council, and*  
 2     *served as chairman of the church endowment committee. He*  
 3     *also helps serve a weekly dinner at the Good Neighbor Club;*

4             *Whereas, In addition to his volunteer work in Evansville,*  
 5     *Bob shares his kindness and expertise throughout Indiana;*

6             *Whereas, For the past two years, Bob has served as*  
 7     *president of the Indiana Retired Teachers Association;*

8             *Whereas, Prior to becoming the president, Bob was on*  
 9     *the board of directors, and he was the chair of the Legislative*  
 10    *Committee for the association;*

11            *Whereas, In his two years as president, Bob has overseen*  
 12    *the development of the Indiana Retired Teachers Foundation*  
 13    *from a committee to a full branch of the association, lobbied*  
 14    *for the betterment of all of Indiana's retired teachers, and*  
 15    *continued to move the association into a more viable, grass-*  
 16    *roots organization;*

17            *Whereas, Bob has been married to Janice for 52 years.*  
 18    *They have a daughter, Ruth, son-in-law, Jeff, and three*  
 19    *wonderful grandsons; and*

20            *Whereas, Bob Kraft has spent his life's work caring for*  
 21    *the children and the teachers of Indiana: Therefore,*

22                    *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly*  
 23    *of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

24            SECTION 1. The Indiana General Assembly honors Bob Kraft  
 25    upon his retirement as president of the Indiana Retired Teachers  
 26    Association.

27            SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to  
 28    transmit a copy of this Resolution to Bob Kraft.

